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$12,000 FIRE IN NEIGHBORING TOWN AT EARLY MORNING HOUR, THREE BUILDINGS BEING BURNED

Flames Originated in the Rear of Wolfe Building on Aberdeen Avenue---Firemen Could Not Make Connection on Account of Out of Way Place.

MILL HANDS ASSIST THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

A $12,000 fire occurred at Monessen this morning at an early hour, three buildings on Aberdeen avenue being destroyed. Besides the buildings there were considerable householdgoods destroyed. The fire originated in what is known as the Wolfe building. The damage to each of the buildings follow:

Wolfe building, totally destroyed, belonged to Melcher Wolfe, of Duquesne, valued at $7,000, $4,000 insurance.

Polo room, totally destroyed, one story building owned by Wolfe, valued at $1,000, $700 insurance.

Dwelling house, totally destroyed, owned by Standard Land and Improvement company, valued at $2,300, partially covered by insurance.

M. B Steimac, household goods, and belongings of a various nature in Wolfe building, loss, $3,000, partially insured.

W. J. Morgan, household goods in Land company's building, loss $880.

The flames were discovered in the Wolfe building at 2:30 o'clock this morning, but at that time they had gained a considerable headway. By the time the alarm was sent in the blaze had reached a height that threatened the neighboring buildings. The fire company, responded as quickly as possible but it was useless to try to save the Wolfe building and they turned their attention to the saving of nearby structures. The Seamless Tube company and the Pittsburg Steel company sent numbers of their employes to assist in the fighting of the flames, but little could be done. The heat was so great from the fire in the Wolfe structure that despite the valiant efforts of the firemen and those assisting them at the adjoining structures, the Pool room and the Land company building become ignited and burned briskly. The best that could be done was to save those buildings nearest them.

The flames burned until they had entirely consumed the three structures and even this morning there were smouldering embers.

The origin of the flames was in the rear of the Wolfe building, but the cause is not known The structures are located in an out of way place, and the firemen had great trouble in making any connections, which fact partially accounted for the headway the flames gained before anything could be done for the saving of the buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Steimac had hard work in getting from the burning Wolfe building, and were unable to save any of their belongings, except a horse which was kept in a shed to the rear of the place. Some chickens belonging to them were burned to death.

DIVORCE CASE FROM CHARLEROI

In motion and rule court at Washington yesterday there were five cases from Charleroi in divorce Commissioners were appointed in each of them. They follow:

James N. Kibler vs. Lettie Hans Kibler, divorce—James A. Wiley appointed commissioner. James Finley Weir vs. Sarah Haines Weir, divorce -James A. Wiley appointed commissioner. Catherine Hilt vs. Conrad Hilt, divorce—James A. Wiley appointed commissioner. Mary Gillingham Lloyd vs. James B. Lloyd, divorce—James A. Wiley appointed commissioner. Charles Hultgran vs. Emma Johnston Hultgran, divorce—James A. Wiley appointed commissioner.

In the suit of J. E. Perkins versus the Charleroi Paving and Construction company, Miss Florence Simcox, the stenographer of Attorney D. M. McCloskey has been appointed a commissioner to take testimony. Mr. Perkins claims that while the Construction company were paving one of the Charleroi streets they opened one of his tool boxes and took tools from it.

Theron S. Province, of this place yesterday presented his resignation to the court as detective, it being accepted and the appointment revoked. This is the second resignation of a detective from Charleroi in two weeks. W. H. Riggle having resigned the first week in December.

See Eva the snake girl. 403 McKean avenue. 105t3p

PETITION FILED BY GARNISHEE

In the suit of the Allen Lumber company of Donora against Dunseath and Son company, of Ohio, defendant, and the Toledo-Massillon company, of Ohio, garnishee, the garnishee has field a petition praying the court to set aside the service upon it as garnishee and dissolve the writ of foreign attachment. A rule has been granted upon the plaintiff to show cause why the prayer should not be granted. This suit is one of several filed against Dunseath and Son company, a sub-contractor on the Donora-Webster bridge. Sheriff Murphy served the papers on the Toledo-Massilon company, as garnishee, on Saturday, December 5, the day of the bridge opening, in the petition filed the garnishee alleges the service was illegal. They set forth they have no office in this state, but are of Ohio, nor have any agent upon whom service could be made agent or that they have registered as foreign corporation as required by the act of assembly in such case made and provided. Similar proceedings have been taken in the suit of W. S. Spragg against the same defendant and garnishee.

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SCHOOL MEN CONVENE AT WASHINGTON

Directors Holding Their Nineteenth Annual Session at County

The school directors of Washington county are today convening at Washington, and an interesting meeting of special interest to the directors is being held. This is the nineteenth annual session of the directors association.

The officers of the Directors' association are as follows: D. A. McCalmont, president; J. L. Hagar, vice president; Dr. H. M. Lacock, secretary; M. A. Cooper, treasurer. The executive committee is composed of J. M. McBurney, Dr. W. W. Weygandt, H. M. Borland, C. K. Chalfant.

This mornings session was devoted to the opening exercises, and the regular business which comes before the meeting. This afternoon at 1:30 the directors again convened. The following program was taken up, and it being continued

Discussion—Should School Authorities be Required to Exclude Pupils from School on Account of Not Being Vaccinated? Geo. W. Dunn, T. B. H. Brownlee, Dr. E. M. Hazlett, Rev. G. D. Kerr, R. W. Rasel, J. D. McNary.

Reading—Miss Edna Lee Sprowls.

Vocal solo—Miss Lulu A. Clarke.

Discussion—The Directors Responsibility: (1) To Whom? (2) For What? J. W. Donaldson, P. G. Walker, J. W. Grimes, W. C. O'Donnell, J. L. Patterson, E. S. Wreath.

How Can School Property be Protected? C. K. Chalfant, O. H. Sawhill.

What Gain should the People Expect from the Minimum Salary Law? John H. Horn, Dr. L. D. Donaldson.

The directors of Charleroi, North Charleroi and Speers are as follows:

Charleroi—J. W. Menon, Ira L. Nickeson, E. W. Hastings, J. M. Whitlatch, George Grunderman, Dr. A. O. Davis, J. M. Hill, Charleroi.

North Charleroi—W. H. Craft, G. W. Stacy, T. E. Kramer, C. A. Metz, J. A. Springer, John Hogan, Lock No. 4.

Speers—C. K. Chalfant, John H. Kittle, William Steel, Mathew Cowell, L. A. Sneed, Sam Curl, Speers.

AFFIDAVIT FILED IN BAMFORD CASE

An affidavit of defense has been filed by Rayton E. Horton, trustee in bankruptcy for Joseph Bamford, Jr., in the suit against him, brought by R. B. Ivory, C. C. Kiskaddon and E. W. Moore.

The plaintiffs claim is to recover $2,500 that is alleged due on a promissory note. Mr. Bamford the defendant denies that liability to pay the note and alleges it was irregularly a d by misrepresentation secured from Joseph Bamford, Jr., and that he signed his name to the note, believing himself to be only an endorser

Mr. Bamford is from Bamford station, and the case was taken from Charleroi to court.

GUILD HOLDING A BAZAAR TODAY

Today the Ladies Guild of St. Mary's Episcopal church is holding a bazaar in the Bank of Charleroi hall. All kinds of fancy articles for Christmas is on sale and a nice sum is being realized. There are special booths for homemade candies and dolls. The bazaar is held with the idea of making money to be put to the use of the church. The sale will be continued tomorrow.

Notice.

Having disposed of our business we wish to close our books and request that all parties owing this firm make settlement by December 20, 1908 or the same will be placed with the proper authorities for collection.

105t3p Anchor Ice Co.

See Eva the snake girl. 403 McKean avenue. 105t3p

FINLANDER OF MONESSEN RETURNS NOT

Lett Town About Four Weeks Ago and Has Not Yet Come Back

Albert Frose, a well known Finlander business man of Monessen, has caused considerable talk by his disappearance from home. No one, not even his near relatives know of his whereabouts, although he has been absent for four weeks.

About four weeks ago the man left for Twilight, to take orders for goods. This was one of his regular trips and he never remained away but a few days at the most. When he did not return for a week the relatives became alarmed, and instituted a search, but with no results. Since that time they have quietly been looking for him, and not until yesterday were the officers made aware of the man's disappearance. It was at first thought that there had been foul play, but this theory has been done away with, partially by the fact that the man has been absent for so long no trace can be found of him. He left behind him some debts, which may mean that he has gone to New York, or some other of the large cities, or possibly to his home land.

MUCH INTEREST FOR SECOND DAY

The first day of the teachers institute at Washington having closed auspiciously, more interest is being shown in the sessions today. The program as outlined was carried out yesterday, the addrers of welcome by Dr. H. W. Tempelton and the response by Prof. Dean of Monongahela being of special interest.

The opening of the session this morning was at 9 o'clock. Music was furnished by E. O. Excell, and E. B. Enoch conducted a discussion on the topic of "Essential of a Well Regulated School" At 9:30 the regular morning session was convened, with music by Prof. Excell, and devotional services by Rev. Pressly Thompson.

Dr. Frank B. Willis discussed "The Study of History" and Dr. P. P. Claxton, "The Fundamental Process." Dr. T. S. Lowden talked of "The Physeology of Holding the Attention." Miss Lillian Hammitt and Miss Christine Miller rendered solos. The program which is being carried out this afternoon is as follows:

Opening—1:45.

Music by institute, Prof. E. O. Excell

Dr. P. P. Claxton—The Fundamental Process—2nd group.

Vocal solo—Miss Christine Miller.

Mrs. Mary G. Noss—Some Contemporary American Artists.

Music by institute, Prof. E. O. Excell.

Reading—Mrs. Orilla Streater Christman.

Dr. J. D. Moffat—Address.

Announcements.

The lecturer for this evening is Dr. Guy Carleton Lee, of Baltimore, Md. His subject is "I Am the Queen."

POLO GAME TONIGHT AT MONONGAHELA

Tonight at the Monongahela skating rink, the Monongahela and Washington polo teams will meet in what is thought will be one of the best games of the season. The Monongahela team now leads in the league, having 833 points to the 625 of Kittanning, her nearest rivals. Washington stands third, but the rivarly is more intense between Monongahela and the team from that place than perhaps any other two of the league. Many from Charleroi will attend.

LADIES GUILD WILL HOLD A BAZAAR

The Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church will hold a bazaar December 15 and 16 in the Bank of Charleroi Hall. All kinds of fancy articles suitable for Christmas will be on sale. There will be special booths for homemade candies and dolls. 105t2

ASSESSMENT FOR PAVING WILL BE SENT OUT SOON

Discussion of Various Matters at Regular Adjourned Meeting of Council

TAX ON POLES NOT PAID

Pittsburg Railways Company Given Ten Days Grace--Fire Plug Out of Commission.

In the regular adjourned meeting of council last night the assessment sheet for the paving on Lincoln avenue from Second street to a point 499 feet south was read. The amount due the contractors who finished up the work on the 4th of December is $2,185.84. The total amount for the work was $3,278 76 and $1,092.92 has been paid.

The assessments were accepted and the clerk instructed to send out to the property holders statements.

It was reported that the Pittsburg Street Railway company although having received a number of statements requesting that their pole tax be paid, had not given any attention to the matter. The amount due is for three years, and amounts to nearly $300. The clerk was instructed to send out another notice to the company allowing ten days grace and if no attention was paid to it, the bill will be placed in the hands of the borough solicitor for collection

A report of the street committee of the paving on Crest avenue was heard, the work being satisfactory. The clerk was authorized to draw a warrant on the treasurer for the amount due the contractor for this piece of work.

The matter of the election of a janitor and policeman for the borough building was taken up, and discussed at much length. The only thing done in the matter however was for the president to appoint a committee to make a list of the duties of such an official, to present at the next meeting of council which will be on Monday evening the 28th of December. This committee, which will consist of Frye, Frew and Chief of the Fire Department Fleming, will also determine upon a salary which they think would be suitable for the position.

Councilman Hein reported that the fire plug at the corner of Ninth street and Fallowfield avenue was out of commission and it was decided that the Charleroi Water company be notified that unless it be fixed at once there will be no allowance for it.

The bill of W. A. Hazlett, for the erection of the additions to the borough building was read, but owing to the fact that the bill had not been approved by the Real Estate committee nothing could be done. It was placed in the hands of that committee for investigation.

Hein of the fire, water and light committee made a report of the investigation which had been made for the placing of lights on Long alley. He said that it would be a good thing to have them but there were other places on the hill which were in great need of lights, and suggested that while the lights be placed on the alley, that some also be placed where they were most needed on the hill. The final action was to hold over the

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THOUGHT CANDY POISONED GIRL

Washington, Dec. 15.—Thought to have been poisoned by candy Dorothy Whiteman, aged two years, daughter of John and Jennie Whiteman, of 52 Addison extension, died at her home yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock.

The child was not strong, but had been in her usual health all yesterday forenoon. About noon it is said she purchased a penny's worth of candy at an Italian store near her home. She ate some of the candy when she was suddenly taker ill and seized with convulsions. The child died in less than an hour after eating the candy. Other members of the family ate a little of the candy but it did not seem to have any effect on them.

An autopsy was performd by Dr. Shannon and Deputy Coroner T. C. Bebout. The jar of candy was secured from the proprietor of the store and will be sent away to be analyzed.

BUMCAINER-RAILROAD CASE STILL ON TRIAL

Common pleas court started on its fourth and last week yesterday afternoon. Before Judge McIlvaine at Washington the Bumgarner-Railroad damage suit is still being heard. The defense began in the introduction of its testimony, and has a large number of witnesses to call. They are expected to meet the testimony of the plaintiff, which placed the damage of the farm from $50,000 to $100,000, and endeavor to show that the plaintiff has not been damaged in that sum or in any amount nearly that large. As to his claim that his coal has depreciated in value it will be brought out that he holds only 30 acres of coal, that it is surrounded by coal of the Clyde Coal company and that no other company would likely be a purchaser of the coal except the Clyde Coal company. Witnesses are being called to give their opinion as to the real value of the land before the railroad was built and since it was constructed.

PARENTS WILL HAVE CUSTODY OF CHILD

In the petition of Guy W. Brown, guardian, against Charles Lloyd and Minnie Lloyd, to obtain the custody of Amber and Myrtle Lloyd, minors, a demurrer was filed by the respondents, on the grounds that a guardian appointed by the orphans' court has no right to demand the custody of his wards against the rights of the father. The court sustained the demurrer and dismissed the petition at the costs of petitioner, unless an amended petition is filed within ten days.

Progressive Euchre.

A progressive euchre will be held in the Charleroi Savings and Trust company hall on Thursday evening of this week for the benefit of the Juvenile court of Washington county. Playing will begin at 8:15. All are invited.

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Dec. 15 In History.

1492—Columbus landed at Santo Domingo.

1840—Napoleon's remains deposited in the chapel of the Hotel des Invalides, Paris.

1873—Agassiz, celebrated American naturalist, died; born 1807.

1896—Alexander Salvini, actor, son of the celebrated Tommaso Salvini died; born 1831.

1906—Oswald Ottendorfer, noted German-American journalist, editor of the New Yorker Staats-Zeitung, died; born 1826.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 4:30, rises 7:14; moon rises 11:54 p. m.; moon's age 22 days; 4:52 p. m., eastern time, moon at last quarter in constellation Leo; sun in constellation Scorpio, nearing Sagittarius; 3 a. m., eastern time, Jupiter's four moons seen east of the planet.

More Blessed to Give Than Receive.

The efforts of the committee which has been appointed to raise funds for the relief of those made destitute by the disaster at the Marianna mines should be crowned with the greatest success. They should hardly be compelled to work to secure enough money to devote to the needs of the many families who are now without bread winners. One of the greatest means of happiness in the world is that to be gained by the helping of others. Now we have an opportunity that we never before have experienced in quite the same way perhaps, nor realized quite so fully, we should take full advantage of it. The poor are in need of whatever assistance can be given them at anytime and while we always have those whom we can help at our door, yet it is well to go outside of our own immediate neighborhood sometimes, and especially when the needs are so pronounced. There is always sympathy on the part of the American people for those who have suffered from the great mine disasters, which have caused such destruction of life in the past few years, and the Marianna horror is no exception. If the Charleroi people feel themselves able to give anything for this worthy cause it will be received with gratitude, and the givers will be assured that the money will be put to a good use.

Do Not Sit Around

One of our faults is that we sit around and tell others what we think should be done, instead of going out and doing it. Isn't that true?

The world is not interested half so much in what a man thinks he knows, as in what the world knows he knows by what he has done or is doing.

Thirty years ago Andrew Carnegie could have talked himself black in the face about steel, but who would have listened? The world listens now. Why? Because Mr. Carnegie has done things. The world knows he knows.

The world rates every man in proportion to what he has done—his real work, not his real talk. To get the highest rating one must have done things.

The Spectator is trying to place before the public the things men and women have done or are doing—the things which make them what they are

Somebody wrote something about the world beating a path to a man's door if he had made something or other better than some other fellow had made it. But you will observe he said "made something," not talked about it.—Spectator.

Work of the Juvenile Court

It is to be hoped that the effort of the Juvenile Court committee to raise funds for the carrying on of the work, which is a worthy one, is a success. Through this court the lads who commit offenses of various natures instead of being compelled to suffer with the more mature criminals, and thus having a bad influence to work on them, are allowed a place for themselves where there is a chance for them to reform. This effort is but one of many that is being made to further this cause, and this with others should be a success.

Electric Sparks.

Talk about Italian sunsets and the aurora borealis, but as things of beauty and poetry they would pale into insignificanc along side a bevy of our visiting teachers at Washington.

Pittsburg operators are opposed to free coal. That may be all right, but who was it who placed the ban onr free lunch?

The trouble with most people is that they seem to think they are as goood as we are.

The woman of fashion seems more dependent on the dressmaker than on her husband.

There is no such thing as the biggest half, in spite of the fact that most of us want it.

There is many a good-hearted fool. The trouble is a man doesn't do this thinking with his heart.

Make your Christmas a merrier one by helping those who are in need and distress. The needy are not far from our own homes.

The drop in the price of eggs is due to the hens of the West and Middle West. The hens deserve credit for improving the opportunity the fine weather gave them to remind the Egg Trust that they are still in business.

In enumerating the dead ducks to Mr. Bryan's credit at the close of his hunt, his friends should not forget to count the Democratic party.

That plea in New York that a newly constructed bridge must be safe because the birds perch on it will instill confidence in all users of the bridge—who can fly as well as the birds.

A Charleroi man has quit his job because he says he cannot be a successful detective without being a grafter. Most of his profession do not worry about their sucess as detectives. If they are able to graft satisfactorily the real sleuthing can take care of itself.—Courier.

The Capitol Grafters have been refused a new trial and unless they are slippery enough to cause further delays we may soon hear some slight disturbance in Father Penn's woodshed.

What an easy job is the weatherman's this time of year! All he needs to do is to keep saying, "colder."

A Virginia man has just found a diamond in the craw of a squab. These pearl-in-oyster yards are beginning to look like thirty cents.

The silver lining of the cloud which shadows business this year is the report of the Secretary of Agriculture, of a gain of $290,000,000 in this year over last year's crop. The record-breaking total of value is $1,778,000,000—a solid foundation for renewed prosperity.

Pretty Bootees for Baby

And so cheap. Fur trimmed soft sole boots of felt to keep him warm on his "airings" this winter.

We have 'em in different colors that ought to harmonize prettily with the little chap's wraps. 19c, to 49c. Adolph of course. 105t2

COUNCIL MEETING.

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matter of the alley lights and order one placed at the corner of Crest avenue and Sixth street.

Councilman Frew, of the accounts and claims committee made a report of a few matters concerning taxes. One was for the reinbursement of Solicitor McCloskey for the securing of a bill of nearly $1,000 on the old Hamilton property. This was ordered paid but an explanation will be asked The other matters were of unimportant.

Planning a Concrete Amphitheatre.

Plans are under way at Des Moines, Iowa, says Cement Age of New York, for a large reinforced concrete amphitheatre, to cost in the neighborhood of $225,000, and with a seating capacity of 16,000. It is intended for the state fair grounds, and after an extended visit through Canada and the east, the officials and architect in charge of the matter decided that concrete, from the standpoint of utility and durability, would best answer their purpose. The plan of a structure at Toronto will be followed in the main, with additional ideas taken from Detroit and the Belmont Park amphitheatre in New York. It will be built in a semi-circle, with only one flight of seats, thus seating all as near the finish wire as possible.

Another Definition of an Editor.

An editor iz a male being whose bizziness it iz to navigate a nuzepaper. He writes editorials grinds out poetry, inserts deaths and weddings, sorts out maneskrips, keeps a wastebasket, blows the "devil," steals matter, fites other people's battles and sells hiz paper for dollar and fifty cents a year takes white beans and aple sass for pay when he can get it, raises a large family, works nineteen hours out of twenty-four, knows no Sunday, gets dammed by everybody, and once in a while whipt by somebody, lives poor, dies middle-aged and often broken-hearted leaves no money, iz rewarded for a life uf toil with a short free obitnary puff in the nuzepapers. Exchanges please copy.—Josh Billings, in New York Weekly.

Two Songs Free.

The New York Sunday World will give the words and music of two songs with its issue of Dec. 20th. One song is entitled "O, Lovely Night," from "Tales of Hoffman" now appearing at the Manhattan Opera-House. The other song is one from that great favorite, De Wolf Hopper, in his new musical comedy just opened at the Majestic Theatre It is entitled "It's the Little Things That Count in Life," and it is the hit of "The Pied Piper of Hamelin Town," which is accorded to be the best thing ever put on by De Wolf Hopper.

Ellison.

Mrs. Margaret Ellison, the wife of the late Archibald Ellison, of this place died yesterday afternoon at the home of her son, Harry F. Ellison, 114 Fallowfield avenue, with whom she has been making her home. The deceased was 61 years of age. She has been in ill health for sometime from a complication of diseases. The funeral will be held on Wednesday morning at requiem high mass, at nine o'clock, at St. Jerome's Catholic church, after which the body will be taken on the 10:38 train from here to Pittsburg where the interment will be in the Allegheny cemetery. Rev. W. D. Fries, the pastor of the church will conduct the services.

Mrs. Ellison is surived by three sons, Harry F., Robert and Charles all of Charleroi She was well known, having lived in this place several years. The many friends extend their sympathy to the sorrowing relatives.

Action In Assumpsit.

The suit of C. E. Shimp against D. J. McAdam was taken up yesterday afternoon in Judge Taylor's court. This is an action in assumpsit to recover $'00 The plaintiff claims he entered into an agreement with the defendant to transfer to him 50 shares of preferred stock in the Pennsylvania and Indiana Coal company on condition that McAdam pay certain attorney's fees which the plaintiff owed Oscar E. Bland, an attorney in Indiana, for certain services rendered.

It is alleged that in violation of the agreement McAdam refused to pay fees and as a result Shimp was sued by Bland and compelled to pay the same with costs, amounting in all to $89.02. Mr. Shimp was the only witness heard before the court adjourned.

The jury in the suit of H. I. Berdine against J. L. Farabee and R. R. Plants returned a verdict and for the plaintiff for $8.161. The action arose over a disputed bill for lumber sawed.

Will Probated.

The will of Sarah A. McGowan, late of Charleroi, has been probated and letters testamentary issued to Charles O. Frye and Abraham F. McGowan. Her estate is divided among children and grandchildren.

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EXECUTOR'S SALE OF IMPROVED REAL ESTATE.

The undersigned executor of the last Will and Testament of JAMES H. JACOBS late of the Borough of CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, deceased, will offer for sale at public outcry and auction on the premises, at 11:00 o'clock A. M. Thursday, Dec 31, 1908, all of the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot Number Ten (10) in McMAHAN'S Addition to the Borough of CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, fronting Twenty-five (25) feet on the Westerly side of LINCOLN AVENUE and running back, preserving a uniform width of Twenty-five (25) feet, a distance of One Hundred (100) feet to PROSPECT AVENUE and lying between NINTH STREET and a Fifteen (15) feet wide alley in the aforesaid Borough.

Being the same lot of ground conveyed to the said JAMES H. JACOBS by Deed of HUGH J. DAVEY, et ux., dated October 29, 1903, and recorded in Washington County Deed Book 312, page 612.

Having erected thereon a two story frame dwelling containing six rooms basement and other improvements.

All inquiries or requests for permission to inspect the property should be addressed to J. E. McARDLE, Executor, Charleroi, Pa.

DAVID M. McCLOSKEY, Attorney.

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327 Fallowfield Avenue.

Xmas. is fast approaching. What about that new Xmas. suit, coat or furs? What's the use of paying car fare and going to Pittsburg when

Eugene Fau

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Your Xmas. purchases of skirts and waists can also be made here. This is a Metropolitan house and carries everything a lady wears. Come here and make your purchases with the thousands of others who will do their Xmas. shopping here.

A handsome serviceable clothes brush given free with every purchase of a suit, skirt or waist.

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"SANTA CLAUS" IS KING

The next ten days he will have much to say to you—and you'll consult him often. The most important suggestion "Santa Claus" makes is "Be sensible in your presents"—"Santa Claus" says Adolph's Slippers and Shoes are sensible presents---and you know

WHAT "SANTA CLAUS" SAYS IS SO.

Today we began a "Special Santa Claus Sale of Slippers, Shoes, etc. It is a sale teeming with Christmas bargains for sensible buyers---a sale embracing dozens, scores, hundreds of sensible Slipper and Shoe presents—a Christmas sale without a peer—a Slipper sale without a parallel.

765 pairs Ladies' Grey Felt Sole Slippers ....**29c a pair**

345 pair of Men's Alligator Slippers---the kind you pay 50 to 75c Our special price **39c**

Ladies' Fur-top Slippers --mostly black, with hand-turn soles the kind you pay $1.00 to $1.25 for. Our special price. (Just like cut) **69c**

50 Dozen Children's Black Jersey Leggins

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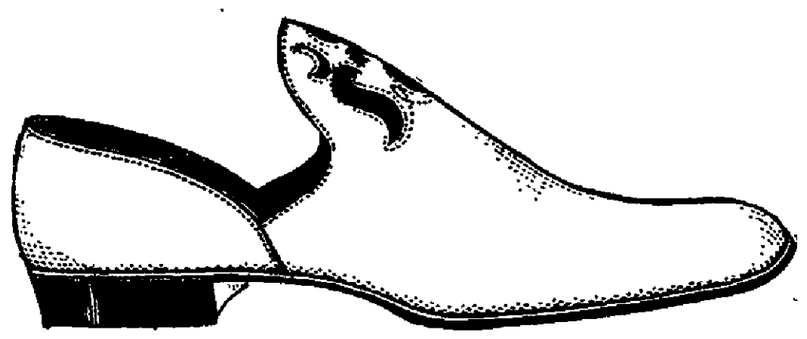
Ladies' Wool Sole Fur Slippers

The kind you pay 25c to 35c Our special price..... **9c pr.**

Ladies' Overgaiters

in all colors---grey green, brown, black, etc. Regular 75c to $1.00 Our special price **39c**



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Sample Shoe Store
A. Beigel

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"Friends, ye have upset me wid y'r kindness," he said, flourishing the night stick. "Oi'll try an' do me duty wid this little shillalah, and I hope an' thrust thot irry man her'll live t' feel its influofince."

The Alphabet.

The great Phoenician alphabet, the parent of every form of European writing and of the scripts of Persia, Arabia and India as well, owes but little to Egypt. It is true that in the construction of their alphabet the Phoenicians made use of certain hieratic characters found in their tradedealings with Egypt, but this fact in no way detracts from the glory of the invention which belongs to the "Yankees of antiquity."—New York American.

A Woman's Era.

"If I were a man!" is surely a very unnecessary cry these days. The epoch of the man is past. The twentieth century is the era of the woman.

There is with a few very slight exceptions nothing that a woman as a woman cannot do, and do every bit as well as if she were a man.—London P. T. O.

The Real Sequence.

Mrs. Premiere—You always get a new gown before you go away on a visit, don't you? Mrs. Seconde—No. I always go away on a visit after I get a new gown.—Woman's Home Companion.

See Eva the snake girl. 403 McKean avenue. 105t3p

Deeds Recorded.

House and lot in Charleroi from A. T. Morgan, master, to Jacob A. Myers for $1,100.

Lot in Crest avenue, Charleroi, from Jacob A. Myers to Robert R. Martiin for $1,000.

Lot in Crest avenue, Charleroi, from Sarah J. Harvey to Desire Jacquelin for $400.

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At Monessen today a poultry show was opened which bears every evidence of being one of the best ever held in the Western part of Pennsylvania. There are a number of fine fowls on exhibition and prizes will be awarded. The committee expect to have large numbers in attendance today and the following days of the show.

See Eva the snake girl. 403 McKean avenue. 105t3p

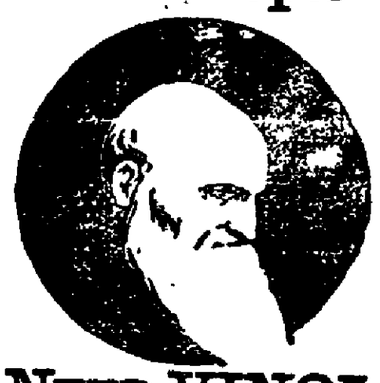
Child Adopted.

Upon petition and consent of Joe Barbero, an uncle, John and Felecie Vezetti, of Charleroi, have been given permission to adopt as their child and heir, John Barbero, aged 15 years.

Will Hold Meeting.

Rev. B. Carradine, D. D., Evangelist and contributing Editor of the "Christian Witness" will hold Evangelistic meetings in the old M. E. church, Belle Vernon, from January 1 to 10 inclusive.

Old People



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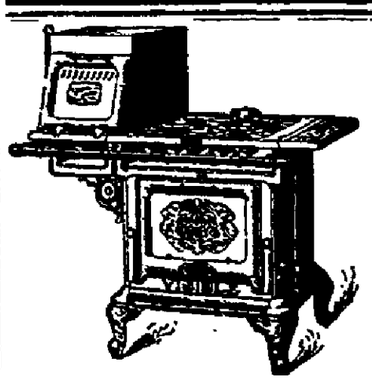

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Business houses, firms and individuals anticipating an expansion of business, will do well to open an account with the Charleroi Savings & Trust Company where the strongest security and every facility for safe and efficient banking has been provided Checking accounts cordially solicited.

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES TO RENT, $5.00 AND UP PER YEAR

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$1,950 4 Room house, lot 40x105 good location, Meadow Ave.
$1,300 4 Room house two lots, Shady Ave.
$1,250 6 Room house, Lock View.
$2,500 6 Room house, hot air heated, Third street.
$3,500 6 Room house and bath on Washington Ave.
$1,300 5 Room house, Lincoln Avenue.
$1,700 4 Room house, good location, lot 40x120, Crest Ave.
$475 Lot 40x85, Lookout Avenue.

FOR RENT

$20.00 6 Rooms and bath.
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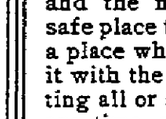

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2 Bulls, 16 Head of Ewes

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and the man who wants a safe place to keep his money, a place where he can leave it with the certainty of getting all or any part of it at any time, are both appreciated patrons at this bank.

We do a general commercial banking business—we co-operate with and assist our customers in the upbuilding of their business.

We are constantly gaining new patrons and shall be pleased to number you among them.

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Timely Suggestions about Christmas Gifts

Suitable Gifts for Women, Children and Men

Table Linens
Linen Sets
Doylies, Scarfs and Fancy Drawn Work
Cushion Tops
Ready-Made Cushions
Hosiery
Underwear
Silk Umbrellas
Knit Shawls
Feather Boas
Ostrich Plumes
Fancy Hose Supporters
Silk Waist Patterns
Fancy Neckwear
Neck Ruffs
Automobile Veils
Neck Ruching
Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs
Kid Gloves
Silk Scarfs
Cashmere Gloves
Leather Hand Bags
Leather Card Cases
Coin Purses
Fancy Shell Combs
Hat Pins
Belt Pins
Belt Buckles
Barettes

Stylish Belts
Silver Mesh Bags
Sterling Silver Novelties
Cuff Pins
Beaded Bags
Brooches
Ladies' Gauntlet Gloves
Pretty Dolls
Teddy Bears
Clothes Brushes
Hat Brushes
Comb and Brush Sets
Toilet Sets
Manicure Sets
Brush and Comb Cases
Handkerchief Boxes
Hand Mirrors
Collar and Cuff Boxes
Hat Brushes
Fancy Pin Cushions
Military Brushes
Coat Sweaters
Men's Gloves
Men's Underwear
Silk Mufflers
Sweater Mufflers
Men's Umbrellas
Silk Neckties
Suspenders, pair in box
Slippers

Men's Silk and Linen H'dk'fs
Men's Fine Shirts
Black Silks
Black and Colored Dress Goods
Fur Neck Pieces and Muffs
Fur Sets
Stylish Cloth Coats
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Children's Dresses
Children's Coats
Children's Caps
Net and Lace Waists
Taffeta Silk Waists
Lingerie Waists
Ladies' Dress and Walking Skirts
Women's Lounging Robes
Muslin Petticoats
Silk and Heatherbloom Petticoats
Lace Curtains
Rope Portieres
Silk Tapestry Curtains
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Ladies' Aprons
Dressing Sacques and Kimonos
Wool and Cotton Bed Blankets
Comfortables

No Store Like Berryman's for brisk Xmas. Shopping

Berryman's
CHARLEROI'S LIVE STORE

Opening Holiday Slipper Sale

The first slipper sale of the season. Slippers for everyone—men, women, misses, girls and boys. Now is the time to buy for Christmas. Prices never so attractive.

48c For Men's Slippers Brown or black Everett slippers, with patent leather trimmings; soft and easy; most exceptional values at this Holiday sale price.

75c For Men's Slippers Alligator Everett styles in brown or black, patent leather trimmings. These are usually attractive prices at our Holiday sale price.

$1.00 For Men's Slippers Dongola or vici kid, in tan, wine or black. Opera, Everett or Columbia shapes. A series of matchless styles at at this Holiday sale price.

$1.50 For Men's Slippers Wine, brown, tan and black leathers, in Nullifier, Opera, Everett and Columbia styles. Handsomely finished and trimmed, the finest line in town at this sale price.

$2.00 and $2.50 for Men's Slippers. Hand-made Slippers in best grade of vici kid and patent leather; all the newest shapes and novel trimmings. For finest slippers see this line before buying.

48c and up to 1.50 for Boys' Slippers. The most complete stock of boys' slippers in town; same style as men's in all shapes and leathers. Surpassing values at this Holiday sale price.

Our Opening Sale Special in Men's Fine Slippers

Just about 600 pairs of slippers which range in price from $1.50 to $2.50, comprising black, tan, brown and wine colored, as well as patent leather, Opera and Everett shapes. Every pair guaranteed to be as we say or your money back. The central attraction of this sale at..... **98c**

98c For Women's Slippers. Felt Juliets with a turned soft sole the most comfortable slippers made. Choice red, brown and black. Also low suppers of same materials. Every one an extra value at this special Holiday sale price. Do not fail to see them.

$1.48 For Women's Slippers Fur trimmed felt, soft leather soles and French heels. Choice of red, brown or black. These slippers are soft and easy, and yet very trim looking and dressy. You'll not find values like this in town outside of our Holiday slipper sale.

Louis Bagel
FOR GOOD SHOES
419 McKEAN AVE.

Advertise in the Mail

Surplus Men's Suit, Overcoat and Raincoat Sale

We adopted the quickest plan to move this stock—made a bold slash into prices

It's the just-before Holiday event that means a Christmas gift in cash along with your Christmas clothes, Selection in color, models, and styles is most complete

SUITS FOR MEN

A regular $12 and $14 Suit

$10.00

15.00 and $16.00 suits now..... **$12.50**

16.0 and $18.00 suits now..... **$13.50**

Higher priced suits reduced in proportion.

A lot of Odds and Ends, broken sizes, values from $10.00 to $15.00 to be sold at

$6.00 and $8.50

Men's Underwear

A full supply of heavy weight fleece-lined underwear regular 50c values at **39c**

All other grades in rib and wool at reduced prices

Overcoats and raincoats that have sold for $12.00 and $13.00 for..... **$10.00**

$15.00 and $16.00 overcoats at **$12.50.** $16.50 and $18.00 overcoats at **$13.50.**

A good line of men's coat sweaters, gloves, shirts, hosiery, hats, caps, and a complete line of furnishing goods at marvelously low prices.

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Personal Mention

Miss L. Belle Parsons and Mrs. J. W. Cornell are visiting in Pittsburg today.

Mrs. Harry Lowstutter is spending the day in Pittsburg with friends.

James Gelder is transacting business today in Pittsburg.

Rev. Lucius W. Shey is in Pittsburg today visiting friends and transacting business.

"The Thief" At Monessen.

The engagement of Charles Frohman's production of "The Thief" at the Monessen theatre, Thursday, December 17, for one performance only, is an event of supreme importance, not alone to regular theatre-goers but to these persons who only frequent the playhouse on red letter occasions. The fame of this international drama is emphasized by the fact that "The Thief" was played for ten months at the Lyceum theatre, New York, last winter, and that over half a million persons were thrilled by the marvelous technique of the author and the admirable quality of the performance.

Polo, tonight, Monongahela vs Washington at the Monongahela rink. 106t1

See Eva the snake girl. 403 McKean avenue. 105t3p

FOUND—On McKean avenue. A sum of money. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for add. Call at 117 Mail office. 106t3p

WANTED—Sewing to do at home. Address 824 Bertha Henry, Oakland avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 103t6p

FOR RENT—Furnished room, with all modern conveniences. Inquire 214 Washington avenue. eodt3

WANTED—A good girl for general housework. L. Collins, 521 Fallowfield avenue. 98tf

WANTED—Ladies, gentlemen and children to see Eva, the snake girl at 403 McKean avenue this week. 105t3p

FOUND—That Eva, the snake girl is a wonderful freak of nature. 403 McKean avenue this week. 105t3bp

MEN WANTED QUICKLY—By big Chicago Mail House to distribute catalogues, advertise, etc., $25.00 a week. $60.00 expense allowance first month. No experience required. Manager, Dept. 501, 385 Wabash avenue, Chicago. 105t3p

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Large fat home dressed Turkeys, Ducks and Spring Chickens, also the very finest steaks and roasts of all kinds If it is inconvenient for you to call, telephone your order; it will receive the same careful attention as if you came in person.

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are a specialty with us. We receive them daily and are always able to supply our customers with every seasonable dainty that the market affords.

Telephone or bring your orders and we will be pleased to deliver same promptly to you.

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Fourth St. and Fallowfield Ave. Charleroi.

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Our Prices Speak for Themselves

California Hams	9c lb	Veal Roast	2lbs 25c
Medium Hams	12c lb	Veal Chops	15clb
Skinned Hams	13c lb	Veal Stew	10c lb
Lamb Chops	15c lb	Boiling Meat	7c to 10clb
Lamb Roast	15c lb	Chuck Roast	10c lb
Lamb Stew	10c lb	Rib Roast	2lbs 25c
Round Steak	2lbs 25c	Pork Chops	2lbs 25c
Tenderloin Steak	15c lb	Pork Shoulder lb	10c
Sirloin Steak	15c lb		

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$12,000 FIRE IN NEIGHBORING TOWN AT EARLY MORNING HOUR, THREE BUILDINGS BEING BURNED

Flames Originated in the Rear of Wolfe Building on Aberdeen Avenue---Firemen Could Not Make Connection on Account of Out of Way Place.

MILL HANDS ASSIST THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

A $12,000 fire occurred at Monessen this morning at an early hour, three buildings on Aberdeen avenue being destroyed. Besides the buildings there were considerable householdgoods destroyed. The fire originated in what is known as the Wolfe building. The damage to each of the buildings follow:

Wolfe building, totally destroyed, belonged to Melcher Wolfe, of Duquesne, valued at $7,000. $4,000 insurance.

Polo room, totally destroyed, one story building owned by Wolfe, valued at $1,000, $700 insurance.

Dwelling house, totally destroyed, owned by Standard Land and Improvement company, valued at $2,300, partially covered by insurance.

M. B Steimac, household goods, and belongings of a various nature in Wolfe building, loss, $3,000, partially insured.

W. J. Morgan, household goods in Land company's building, loss $600.

The flames were discovered in the Wolfe building at 2:30 o'clock this morning, but at that time they had gained a considerable headway. By the time the alarm was sent in the blaze had reached a height that threatened the neighboring buildings. The fire company responded as quickly as possible but it was useless to try to save the Wolfe building and they turned their attention to the saving of nearby structures. The Seamless company sent numbers of their employes to assist in the fighting of the flames, but little could be done. The heat was so great from the fire in the Wolfe structure that despite the valiant efforts of the firemen and those assisting them at the adjoining structures, the Pool room and the Land company building become ignited and burned briskly. The best that could be done was to save those buildings nearest them.

The flames burned until they had entirely consumed the three structures and even this morning there were smouldering embers.

The origin of the flames was in the rear of the Wolfe building, but the cause is not known The structures are located in an out of way place, and the firemen had great trouble in making any connections, which fact partially accounted for the headway the flames gained before anything could be done for the saving of the buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Steimac had hard work in getting from the burning Wolfe building, and were unable to save any of their belongings, except a horse which was kept in a shed to the rear of the place. Some chickens belonging to them were burned to death.

DIVORCE CASE FROM CHARLEROI

In motion and rule court at Washington yesterday there were five cases from Charleroi in divorce. Commissioners were appointed in each of them. They follow:

James N. Kibler vs. Bettie Hans Kibler, divorce—James A. Wiley appointed commissioner. James Finley Weir vs. Sarah Haines Weir, divorce—James A. Wiley appointed commissioner. Catherine Hilt vs. Conrad Hilt, divorce—James A. Wiley appointed commissioner. Mary Gillingham Lloyd vs. James B. Lloyd, divorce—James A. Wiley appointed commissioner. Charles Haltgran vs. Emma Johnston Haltgran, divorce—James A. Wiley appointed commissioner.

In the suit of J. E. Perkins versus the Charleroi Paving and Construction company, Miss Florence Simcox, the stenographer of Attorney D. M. McCloskey has been appointed a commissioner to take testimony. Mr. Perkins claims that while the Construction company were paving one of the Charleroi streets they opened one of his tool boxes and took tools from it.

Theron S. Province, of this place yesterday presented his resignation to the court as detective, it being accepted and the appointment revoked. This is the second resignation of a detective from Charleroi in two weeks. W. H. Riggle having resigned the first week in December.

See Eva the snake girl. 403 McKean avenue. 105t3p

PETITION FILED BY GARNISHEE

In the suit of the Allen Lumber company of Donora against Dunseath and Son company, of Ohio, defendant, and the Toledo-Massilon company, of Ohio, garnishee, the garnishee has filed a petition praying the court to set aside the service upon it as garnishee and dissolve the writ of foreign attachment. A rule has been granted upon the plaintiff to show cause why the prayer should not be granted. This suit is one of several filed against Dunseath and Son company, a sub-contractor on the Donora-Webster bridge. Sheriff Murphy served the papers on the Toledo-Massilon company, as garnishee, on Saturday, December 5, the day of the bridge opening, in the petition filed the garnishee alleges the service was illegal. They set forth they have no office in this state, but are of Ohio, nor have any agent upon whom service could be made agent or that they have registered as foreign corporation as required by the act of assembly in such case made and provided. Similar proceedings have been taken in the suit of W. S. Spragg against the same defendant and garnishee.

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AFFIDAVIT FILED IN BAMFORD CASE

An affidavit of defense has been filed by Rayton E. Horton, trustee in bankruptcy for Joseph Bamford, Jr., in the suit against him, brought by R. B. Ivory, C. C. Kiskaddon and E. W. Moore.

The plaintiffs claim is to recover $2,500 that is alleged due on a promissory note. Mr. Bamford the defendant denies that liability to pay the note and alleges it was irregularly and by misrepresentation secured from Joseph Bamford, Jr., and that he signed his name to the note, believing himself to be only an endorser

Mr. Bamford is from Bamford station, and the case was taken from Charleroi to court.

GUILD HOLDING A BAZAAR TODAY

Today the Ladies Guild of St. Mary's Episcopal church is holding a bazaar in the Bank of Charleroi hall. All kinds of fancy articles for Christmas is on sale and a nice sum is being realized. There are special booths for homemade candies and dolls. The bazaar is held with the idea of making money to be put to the use of the church. The sale will be continued tomorrow.

Notice.

Having disposed of our business we wish to close our books and request that all parties owing this firm make settlement by December 20, 1908 or the same will be placed with the proper authorities for collection.

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See Eva the snake girl. 403 McKean avenue. 105t3p

SCHOOL MEN CONVENE AT WASHINGTON

Directors Holding Their Nineteenth Annual Session at County

The school directors of Washington county are today convening at Washington, and an interesting meeting of special interest to the directors is being held. This is the nineteenth annual session of the directors association.

The officers of the Directors' association are as follows: D. A. McCalmont, president; J. L. Hagar, vice president; Dr. H. M. Lacock, secretary; M. A. Cooper, treasurer. The executive committee is composed of J. M. McBurney, Dr. W. W. Weygandt, H. M. Borland, C. K. Chalfant.

This mornings session was devoted to the opening exercises, and the regular business which comes before the meeting. This afternoon at 1:30 the directors again convened. The following program was taken up, and it being continued.

Discussion—Should School Authorities be Required to Exclude Pupils from School on Account of Not Being Vaccinated? Geo. W. Dunn, T. B. H. Brownlee, Dr. E. M. Hazlett, Rev. G. D. Kerr, R. W. Rabel, J. D. McNary.

Reading—Miss Edna Lee Sprowls.

Vocal solo—Miss Lulu A. Clarke.

Discussion—The Directors' Responsibility: 1) To Whom? (2) For What? J. W. Donaldson, F. G. Warner, J. W. Grimes, W. C. O'Donnell, J. L. Patterson, E. S. Wreath.

How Can School Property be Protected? C. K. Chalfant, O. H. Sawhill.

What Gain should the People Expect from the Minimum Salary Law? John H. Horn, Dr. L. D. Donaldson.

The directors of Charleroi, North Charleroi and Speers are as follows:

Charleroi—J. W. Menor, Ira L. Nickeson, E. W. Hastings, J. M. Whitlatch, George Grunderman, Dr. A. O. Davis, J. M. Hill, Charleroi.

North Charleroi—W. H. Craft, G. W. Stacy, T. E. Kramer, C. A. Metz, J. A. Springer, John Hogan, Lock No. 4.

Speers—C. K. Chalfant, John H. Kittle, William Steel, Mathew Cowell, L. A. Sneed, Sam Curl, Speers.

FINLANDER OF MONESSEN RETURNS NOT

Left Town About Four Weeks Ago and Has Not Yet Come Back

Albert Frose, a well known Finlander business man of Monessen, has caused considerable talk by his disappearance from home. No one, not even his near relatives know of his whereabouts, although he has been absent for four weeks.

About four weeks ago the man left for Twilight, to take orders for goods. This was one of his reguler trips and he never remained away but a few days at the most. When he did not return for a week the relatives became alarmed, and instituted a search, but with no results. Since that time they have quietly been looking for him, and not until yesterday were the officers made aware of the man's disappearance. It was at first thought that there had been foul play, but this theory has been done away with, partially by the fact that the man has been absent for so long no trace can be found of him. He left behind him some debts, which may mean that he has gone to New York, or some other of the large cities, or possibly to his home land.

MUCH INTEREST FOR SECOND DAY

The first day of the teachers institute at Washington having closed auspiciously, more interest is being shown in the sessions today. The program as outlined was carried out yesterday, the address of welcome by H. W. Tempelton and the response by Prof. Dean of Monongahela being of special interest.

The opening of the session this morning was at 9 o'clock. Music was furnished by E. O. Excell, and E. B. Enoch conducted a discussion on the topic of "Essential of a Well Regulated School" At 9:30 the regular morning session was convened, with music by Prof. Excell, and devotional services by Rev. Pressly Thompson.

Dr. Frank B. Willis discussed "The Study of History" and Dr. P. P. Claxton, "The Fundamental Process." Dr. T. S. Lowden talked of "The Physcology of Holding the Attention." Miss Lilliam Hammitt and Miss Christine Miller rendered solos. The program which is being carried out this afternoon is as follows:

Opening—1:45.

Music by institute, Prof. E. O. Excell

Dr. P. P. Claxton—The Fundamental Process—2nd group.

Vocal solo—Miss Christine Miller.

Mrs. Mary G. Noss—Some Contemporary American Artists.

Music by institute, Prof. E. O. Excell.

Reading—Mrs. Orilla Streater Christman.

Dr. J. D. Moffat—Address.

Announcements.

The lecturer for this evening is Dr. Guy Carleton Lee, of Baltimore, Md. His subject is "I Am the Queen."

POLO GAME TONIGHT AT MONONGAHELA

Tonight at the Monongahela skating rink, the Monongahela and Washington polo teams will meet in what is thought will be one of the best games of the season. The Monongahela team now leads in the league, having 833 points to the 625 of Kittanning, her nearest rivals. Washington stands third, but the rivarly is more intense between Monongahela and the team from that place than perhaps any other two of the league. Many from Charleroi will attend.

LADIES GUILD WILL HOLD A BAZAAR

The Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church will hold a bazaar December 15 and 16 in the Bank of Charleroi Hall. All kinds of fancy articles suitable for Christmas will be on sale. There will be special booths for homemade candies and dolls. 105t2

ASSESSMENT FOR PAVING WILL BE SENT OUT SOON

Discussion of Various Matters at Regular Adjourned Meeting of Council

TAX ON POLES NOT PAID

Pittsburg Railways Company Given Ten Days Grace--Fire Plug Out of Commission.

In the regular adjourned meeting of council last night the assessment sheet for the paving on Lincoln avenue from Second street to a point 499 feet south was read. The amount due the contractors who finished up the work on the 4th of December is $2,185.84. The total amount for the work was $3,278 76 and $1,092.92 has been paid.

The assessments were accepted and the clerk instructed to send out to the property holders statements.

It was reported that the Pittsburg Street Railway company although having received a number of statements requesting that their pole tax be paid, had not given any attention to the matter. The amount due is for three years, and amounts to nearly $300. The clerk was instructed to send out another notice to the company allowing ten days grace and if no attention was paid to it, the bill will be placed in the hands of the borough solicitor for collection.

A report of the street committee of the paving on Crest avenue was heard, the work being satisfactory. The clerk was authorized to draw a warrant on the treasurer for the amount due the contractor for this piece of work.

The matter of the election of a janitor and policeman for the borough building was taken up, and discussed at much length. The only thing done in the matter however was for the president to appoint a committee to make a list of the duties of such an official, to present at the next meeting of council which will be on Monday evening the 28th of December. This committee, which will consist of Frye, Frew and Chief of the Fire Department Fleming, will also determine upon a salary which they think would be suitable for the position.

Councilman Hein reported that the fire plug at the corner of Ninth street and Fallowfield avenue was out of commission and it was decided that the Charleroi Water company be notified that unless it be fixed at once there will be no allowance for it.

The bill of W. A. Hazlett, for the erection of the additions to the borough building was read, but owing to the fact that the bill had not been approved by the Real Estate committee nothing could be done. It was placed in the hands of that committee for investigation.

Hein of the fire, water and light committee made a report of the investigation which had been made for the placing of lights on Long alley. He said that it would be a good thing to have them but there were other places on the hill which were in great need of lights, and suggested that while the lights be placed on the alley, that some also be placed where they were most needed on the hill. The final action was to hold over the

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THOUGHT CANDY POISONED GIRL

Washington, Dec. 15.—Thought to have been poisoned by candy Dorothy Whiteman, aged two years, daughter of John and Jennie Whiteman, of 52 Addison extension, died at her home yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock.

The child was not strong, but had been in her usual health all yesterday forenoon. About noon it is said she purchased a penny's worth of candy at an Italian store near her home. She ate some of the candy when she was suddenly taker ill and seized with convulsions. The child died in less than an hour after eating the candy. Other members of the family ate a little of the candy but it did not seem to have any effect on them.

An autopsy was performd by Dr. Shannon and Deputy Coroner T. C. Bebout. The jar of candy was secured from the proprietor of the store and will be sent away to be analyzed.

BUMCAINER-RAILROAD CASE STILL ON TRIAL

Common pleas court started on its fourth and last week yesterday afternoon. Before Judge McIlvaine at Washington the Bumgarner-Railroad damage suit is still being heard. The defense began in the introduction of its testimony, and has a large number of witnesses to call. They are expected to meet the testimony of the plaintiff, which placed the damage of the farm from $50,000 to $100,000, and endeavor to show that the plaintiff has not been damaged in that sum or in any amount nearly that large. As to his claim that his coal has depreciated in value it will be brought out that he holds only 30 acres of coal, that it is surrounded by coal of the Clyde Coal company and that no other company would likely be a purchaser of the coal except the Clyde Coal company. Witnesses are being called to give their opinion as to the real value of the land before the railroad was built and since it was constructed.

PARENTS WILL HAVE CUSTODY OF CHILD

In the petition of Guy W. Brown, guardian, against Charles Lloyd and Minnie Lloyd, to obtain the custody of Amber and Myrtle Lloyd, minors, a demurrer was filed by the respondents, on the grounds that a guardian appointed by the orphans' court has no right to demand the custody of his wards against the rights of the father. The court sustained the demurrer and dismissed the petition at the costs of petitioner, unless an amended petition is filed within ten days.

Progressive Euchre.

A progressive euchre will be held in the Charleroi Savings and Trust company hall on Thursday evening of this week for the benefit of the Juvenile court of Washington county. Playing will begin at 8:15. All are invited.

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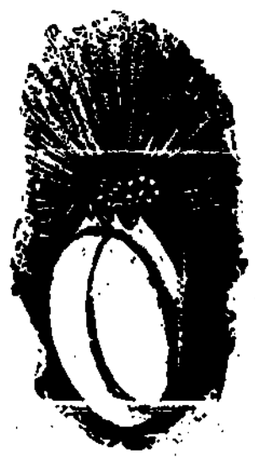

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Dec. 15 In History.

1492—Columbus landed at Santo Domingo.

1840—Napoleon's remains deposited in the chapel of the Hotel des Invalides, Paris.

1873—Agassiz, celebrated American naturalist, died; born 1807.

1896—Alexander Salvini, actor, son of the celebrated Tommaso Salvini, died; born 1831.

1899—Oswald Ottendorfer, noted German-American journalist, editor of the New Yorker Staats-Zeitung, died; born 1826.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 4:30, rises 7:14; moon rises 11:54 p. m.; moon's age 22 days; 4:12 p. m., eastern time, moon at last quarter in constellation Leo; sun in constellation Scorpio, nearing Sagittarius; 3 a. m., eastern time, Jupiter's four moons seen east of the planet.

More Blessed to Give Than Receive.

The efforts of the committee which has been appointed to raise funds for the relief of those made destitute by the disaster at the Marianna mines should be crowned with the greatest success. They should hardly be compelled to work to secure enough money to devote to the needs of the many families who are now without bread winners. One of the greatest means of happiness in the world is that to be gained by the helping of others. Now we have an opportunity that we never before have experienced in quite the same way perhaps, nor realized quite so fully, we should take full advantage of it. The poor are in need of whatever assistance can be given them at anytime and while we always have those whom we can help at our door, yet it is well to go outside of our own immediate neighborhood sometimes, and especially when the needs are so pronounced. There is always sympathy on the part of the American people for those who have suffered from the great mine disasters, which have caused such destruction of life in the past few years, and the Marianna horror is no exception. If the Charleroi people feel themselves able to give anything for this worthy cause it will be received with gratitude, and the givers will be assured that the money will be put to a good use.

Do Not Sit Around.

One of our faults is that we sit around and tell others what we think should be done, instead of going out and doing it. Isn't that true?

The world is not interested half so much in what a man thinks he knows, as in what the world knows he knows by what he has done or is doing.

Thirty years ago Andrew Carnegie could have talked himself black in the face about steel, but who would have listened? The world listens now. Why? Because Mr. Carnegie has done things. The world knows he knows.

The world rates every man in proportion to what he has done—his real work, not his real talk. To get the highest rating one must have done things.

The Spectator is trying to place before the public the things men and women have done or are doing—the things which make them what they are.

Somebody wrote something about the world beating a path to a man's door if he had made something or other better than some other fellow had made it. But you will observe he said "made something," not talked about it.—Spectator.

Work of the Juvenile Court.

It is to be hoped that the effort of the Juvenile Court committee to raise funds for the carrying on of the work, which is a worthy one, is a success. Through this court the lads who commit offenses of various natures instead of being compelled to suffer with the more mature criminals, and thus having a bad influence to work on them, are allowed a place for themselves where there is a chance for them to reform. This effort is but one of many that is being made to further this cause, and this with others should be a success.

Electric Sparks.

Talk about Italian sunsets and the aurora borealis, but as things of beauty and poetry they would pale into insignificenc along side a bevy of our visiting teachers at Washington.

Pittsburg operators are opposed to free coal. That may be all right, but who was it who placed the ban on free lunch?

The trouble with most people is that they seem to think they are as good as we are.

The woman of fashion seems more dependent on the dressmaker than on her husband.

There is no such thing as the biggest half, in spite of the fact that most of us want it.

There is many a good-hearted fool. The trouble is a man doesn't do this thinking with his heart.

Make your Christmas a merrier one by helping those who are in need and distress. The needy are not far from our own homes.

The drop in the price of eggs is due to the hens of the West and Middle West. The hens deserve credit for improving the opportunity the fine weather gave them to remind the Egg Trust that they are still in business.

In enumerating the dead ducks to Mr. Bryan's credit at the close of his hunt, his friends should not forget to count the Democratic party.

That plea in New York that a newly constructed bridge must be safe because the birds perch on it will instill confidence in all users of the bridge—who can fly as well as the birds.

A Charleroi man has quit his job because he says he cannot be a successful detective without being a grafter. Most of his profession do not worry about their sucess as detectives. If they are able to graft satisfactorily the real sleuthing can take care of itself.—Corrier.

The Capitol Grafters have been refused a new trial and unless they are slippery enough to cause further delays we may soon hear some slight disturbance in Father Penn's woodshed.

What an easy job is the weatherman's this time of year! All he needs to do is to keep saying, "colder."

A Virginia man has just found a diamond in the craw of a squab. These pearl-in-oyster yards are beginning to look like thirty cents.

The silver lining of the cloud which shadows business this year is the report of the Secretary of Agriculture, of a gain of $290,000,000 in this year over last year's crop. The record-breaking total of value is $1,778,000,000—a solid foundation for renewed prosperity.

Rubber Blankets for Baby

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COUNCIL MEETING.

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matter of the alley lights and order one placed at the corner of Crest avenue and Sixth street.

Councilman Frew, of the accounts and claims committee made a report of a few matters concerning taxes. One was for the reinbursement of Solicitor McCloskey for the securing of a bill of nearly $1,000 on the old Hamilton property. This was ordered paid but an explanation will be asked. The other matters were of unimportant.

Planning a Concrete Amphi Theatre.

Plans are under way at Des Moines, Iowa, says Cement Age of New York, for a large reinforced concrete amphitheatre, to cost in the neighborhood of $225,000, and with a seating capacity of 16,000. It is intended for the state fair grounds, and after an extended visit through Canada and the east, the officials and architect in charge of the matter decided that concrete, from the standpoint of utility and durability, would best answer their purpose. The plan of a structure at Toronto will be followed in the main, with additional ideas taken from Detroit and the Belmont Park amphitheatre in New York. It will be built in a semi-circle, with only one flight of seats, thus seating all as near the finish wire as possible.

Another Definition of an Editor.

An editor is a male being whose bizziness it iz to navigate a nuzepaper. He writes editorials grinds out poetry, inserts deaths and weddings, sorts out maneskrips, keeps a wastebasket, blows the "devil," steals matter, fites other people's battles and sells hiz paper for dollar and fifty cents a year takes white beans and aple saas for pay when he can get it, raises a large family, works nineteen hours out of twenty-four, knows no Sunday, gets dammed by everybody, and once in a while whipt by somebody, lives poor, dies middle-aged and often broken-hearted leaves no money, iz rewarded for a life of toil with a short free obituary puff in the nuzepapers. Exchanges please copy.—Josh Billings, in New York Weekly.

Two Songs Free.

The New York Sunday World will give the words and music of two songs with its issue of Dec. 20th. One song is entitled "O, Lovely Night," from "Tales of Hoffman" now appearing at the Manhattan Opera-House. The other song is one from that great favorite, De Wolf Hopper, in his new musical comedy just opened at the Majestic Theatre. It is entitled "It's the Little Things That Count in Life," and it is the hit of "The Pied Piper of Hamelin Town," which is accorded to be the best thing ever put on by De Wolf Hopper.

Ellison.

Mrs. Margaret Ellison, the wife of the late Archibald Ellison, of this place died yesterday afternoon at the home of her son, Harry F. Ellison, 114 Fallowfield avenue, with whom she has been making her home. The deceased was 64 years of age. She has been in ill health for sometime from a complication of diseases. The funeral will be held on Wednesday morning at requiem high mass, at nine o'clock, at St. Jerome's Catholic church, after which the body will be taken on the 10:38 train from here to Pittsburg where the interment will be in the Allegheny cemetery. Rev. W. D. Fries, the pastor of the church will conduct the services.

Mrs. Ellison is survived by three sons, Harry F., Robert and Charles all of Charleroi. She was well known, having lived in this place several years. The many friends extend their sympathy to the sorrowing relatives.

Action In Assumpsit.

The suit of C. E. Shimp against D. J. McAdam was taken up yesterday afternoon in Judge Taylor's court. This is an action in assumpsit to recover $109. The plaintiff claims he entered into an agreement with the defendant to transfer to him 50 shares of preferred stock in the Pennsylvania and Indiana Coal company on condition that McAdam pay certain attorney's fees which the plaintiff owed Oscar E. Bland, an attorney in Indiana, for certain services rendered.

It is alleged that in violation of the agreement McAdam refused to pay fees and as a result Shimp was sued by Bland and compelled to pay the same with costs, amounting in all to $89.02. Mr. Shimp was the only witness heard before the court adjourned.

The jury in the suit of H. I. Berdine against J. L. Farabee and R. R. Plants returned a verdict and for the plaintiff for $8.161. The action arose over a disputed bill for lumber sawed.

Will Probated.

The will of Sarah A. McGowan, late of Charleroi, has been probated and letters testamentary issued to Charles O. Frye and Abraham F. McGowan. Her estate is divided among children and grandchildren.

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The undersigned executor of the last Will and Testament of JAMES H. JACOBS, late of the Borough of CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, deceased, will offer for sale at public outcry and auction on the premises, at 11:00 o'clock A. M. Thursday, Dec. 31, 1908 all of the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot Number Ten (10) in McMAHAN'S Addition to the Borough of CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, fronting Twenty (20) feet on the Westerly side of LINCOLN AVENUE and running back, preserving a uniform width of Twenty (20) feet, to a depth of One Hundred (100) feet to PRINCE AVENUE and lying between NINTH STREET and a Fifteen (15) feet wide alley in the aforesaid Borough.

Being the same lot of ground conveyed to the said JAMES H. JACOBS by Deed of HUGH J. DAVEY, et ux., dated October 29, 1906, and recorded in Washington County Deed Book 282, page 612.

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"Friends, ye have upset me wid y'r kindness," he said, flourishing the night stick. "Oi'll try an' do me duty wid this little shillalah, and I hope an' thrust thot ivry man her'll hve t' feel its influonce."

The Alphabet.

The great Phoenician alphabet, the parent of every form of European writing and of the scripts of Persia Arabia and India as well owes but little to Egypt It is true that in the construction of their alphabet the Phoenicians made use of certain hieratic characters found in their tradedealings with Egypt, but this fact in no way detracts from the glory of the invention which belongs to the Yankees of antiquity'—New York American

A Woman's Era.

"If I were a man I'd suffer a very unnecessary cry these days The epoch of the man's past The [illegible] man

There [illegible] every night except Sundays [illegible] a woman as a woman can [illegible] every bit as well as if she were a man—London P T O.

The Real Sequence

Mrs Torkins—Don't you always get a new gown before you go away on a visit, don't you? Mrs Secondde—No I always go away on a visit after I get a new gown—Woman's Home Companion.

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Deeds Recorded.

House and lot in Charleroi from A. T. Morgan, master, to Jacob A. Myers for $1,100.

Lot in Crest avenue, Charleroi, from Jacob A. Myers to Robert R. Martin for $1,000.

Lot in Crest avenue Charleroi, from Sarah J Harvey to Desire Jacquelin [illegible]

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At Monessen today a poultry show was opened which bears every evidence of being one of the best ever held in the Western part of Pennsylvania. There are a number of free fowls on exhibition and prizes will be awarded. The committee expect to have large numbers in attendance today and the following days of the show

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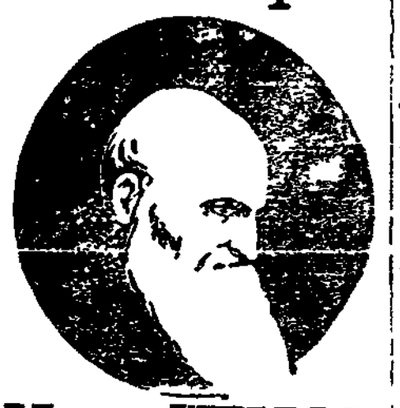
Child Adopted.

Upon petition and consent of Joe Barbero, an uncle, John and Felecie Vezetti, of Charleroi, have been given permission to adopt as their child and heir, John Barbero, aged 15 years.

Will Hold Meeting.

Rev. B. Carradine, D. D., Evangelist and contributing Editor of the "Christian Witness" will hold Evangelistic meetings in the old M. E. church, Belle Vernon, from January 1 to 10 inclusive.

Old People



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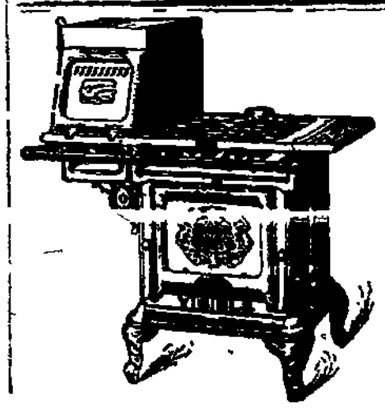

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Timely Suggestions about Christmas Gifts

Suitable Gifts for Women, Children and Men

Table Linens
Linen Sets
Doylies, Scarfs and Fancy Drawn
Cushion Tops
Ready-Made Cushions
Hosiery
Underwear
Silk Umbrellas
Knit Shawls
Feather Boas
Ostrich Plumes
Fancy Hose Supporters
Silk Waist Patterns
Fancy Neckwear
Neck Ruffs
Automobile Veils
Neck Ruching
Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs
Kid Gloves
Silk Scarfs
Cashmere Gloves
Leather Hand Bags
Leather Card Cases
Coin Purses
Fancy Shell Combs
Hat Pins
Belt Pins
Belt Buckles
Barettes

Stylish Belts
Silver Mesh Bags
Sterling Silver Novelties
Cuff Pins
Beaded Bags
Brooches
Ladies' Gauntlet Gloves
Pretty Dolls
Teddy Bears
Clothes Brushes
Hat Brushes
Comb and Brush Sets
Toilet Sets
Manicure Sets
Brush and Comb Cases
Handkerchief Boxes
Hand Mirrors
Collar and Cuff Boxes
Hat Brushes
Fancy Pin Cushions
Military Brushes
Coat Sweaters
Men's Gloves
Men's Underwear
Silk Mufflers
Sweater Mufflers
Men's Umbrellas
Silk Neckties
Suspenders, pair in box
Slippers

Men's Silk and Linen H'dk'fs
Men's Fine Shirts
Black Silks
Fur Neck Pieces and Muffs
Fur Sets
Stylish Cloth Coats
Stylish Cravenette and Roseberry Rain Coats
Ladies' Tailored Suits
Children's Dresses
Children's Coats
Children's Caps
Net and Lace Waists
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The first slipper sale of the season. Slippers for everyone—men, women, misses, girls and boys. Now is the time to buy for Christmas. Prices never so attractive.

48c For Men's Slippers Brown or black Everett slippers, with patent leather trimmings: soft and easy; most exceptional values at this Holiday sale price.

75c For Men's Slippers Alligator Everett styles in brown or black, patent leather trimmings. These are usually attractive prices at our Holiday sale price.

$1.00 For Men's Slippers Dongola or vici kid, in tan, wine or black. Opera, Everett or Columbia shapes. A series of matchless styles at at this Holiday sale price.

$1.50 For Men's Slippers Wine, brown, tan and black leathers, in Nullifier, Opera, Everett and Columbia styles. Handsomely finished and trimmed, the finest line in town at this sale price.

$2.00 and $2.50 for Men's Slippers. Hand-made Slippers in best grade of vici kid and patent leather; all the newest shapes and novel trimmings. For finest slippers see this line before buying.

48c and up to 1.50 for Boys' Slippers. The most complete stock of boys' slippers in town: same style as men's in all shapes and leathers. Surpassing values at this Holiday sale price.

Our Opening Sale Special in Men's Fine Slippers

Just about 600 pairs of slippers which range in price from $1.50 to $2.50, comprising black, tan, brown and wine colored, as well as patent leather. Opera and Everett shapes. Every pair guaranteed to be as we say or your money back. The central attraction of this sale at..... **98c**

98c For Women's Slippers. Felt Juliets with a turned soft sole the most comfortable slippers made. Choice red, brown and black. Also low slippers of same materials. Every one an extra value at this special Holiday sale price. Do not fail to see them.

$1.48 For Women's Slippers Fur trimmed felt, soft leather soles and French heels. Choice of red, brown or black. These slippers are soft and easy, and yet very trim looking and dressy. You'll not find values like this in town outside of our Holiday slipper sale.

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A regular $12 and $14 Suit

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15.00 and $16.00 suits now..... **$12.50**

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Higher priced suits reduced in proportion.

A lot of Odds and Ends, broken sizes, values from $10.00 to $15.00 to be sold at

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Men's Underwear

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Overcoats and raincoats that have sold for $12.00 and $13.00 for..... **$10.00**

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Personal Mention

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Mrs. Harry Lowstutter is spending the day in Pittsburg with friends.

James Gelder is transacting business today in Pittsburg.

Rev. Lucius W. Shey is in Pittsburg today visiting friends and transacting business.

"The Thief" At Monessen.

The engagement of Charles Frohman's production of "The Thief" at the Monessen theatre, Thursday, December 17, for one performance only, is an event of supreme importance, not alone to regular theatre-goers but to these persons who only frequent the playhouse on red letter occasions. The fame of this international drama is emphasized by the fact that "The Thief" was played for ten months at the Lyceum theatre, New York, last winter, and that over half a million persons were thrilled by the marvelous technique of the author and the admirable quality of the performance.

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FOUND—That Eva, the snake girl is a wonderful freak of nature. 403 McKean avenue this week. 105t3bp

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Lamb Chops	15c lb	Boiling Meat	7c to 10clb
Lamb Roast	15c lb	Chuck Roast	10c lb
Lamb Stew	10c lb	Rib Roast	2lbs 25c
Round Steak	2lbs 25c	Pork Chops	2lbs 25c
Tenderloin Steak	15c lb	Pork Shoulder lb	10c
Sirloin Steak	15c lb		

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